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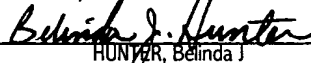
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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S I R :

The cited references enclosed herewith and listed on the attached substitute form PTO-1449 have come to the attention of the applicants either as part of the prosecution of the parent application and its foreign counterparts or have been cited by opposers during opposition proceedings before the German Patent Office. To date, German Patent No 43 19 965 C2 corresponding to the subject application has been maintained despite these oppositions.

REMARKS

- I. *The remarks regarding some of these references are summarized below:*

Reference AF

This document concerns a process for making an elastic sealing for the top of a special metallic package wherein the essential idea of the "process" consists of the provision of a special room temperature curing mixture.

Reference AG

This document describes a sealing ring comprising an elastically deformable sealing material which is provided in gaps of a metallic plate.

Reference AH

This document describes a process for making an elastic sealing for the bodywork of a car by means of a CNC machinery.

Reference AI

This document describes a method for sealing the periphery of a glass panel by means of party material ejected from a nozzle which is carried by a robot arm.

Reference AJ

This document describes a method for applying an adhesive to the periphery of a car glass panel by means of a nozzle carried by a robot.

Reference X

This document shows and describes parts of packages of cases, respectively, on which parts gaskets are provided. The materials for those gaskets and possibilities to apply them are discussed. The enclosures to the document devices for carrying out the process are illustrated and shortly specified.

Reference Y

In this document, the application of foam adhesives by means of CNC controlled devices comprising a mixing head is described.

Reference Z

This document essentially is a shortened text of BLAHA (No. 13a).

Reference AK

This document shortly describes a CNC controlled machine for applying two-component sealing strands without mentioning a special field of application.

Reference AM

The information of this document essentially can be taken from the English brochure "A-60 DISPENSERPRO" (No. 17).

Reference AS

This brochure shortly specifies parts of a freely programmable application and sealing system for sealing palettet components.

Reference AT

This brochure in detailed Figures shows the application of liquid sealing material, adhesive or foam, respectively, onto the edges of casing parts for coupling of products. (In none of those products do the sealing seem to be conductive.)

Reference AV

This brochure shows mixing and dosage systems and components thereof in their appearance and gives a short specification to each photo.

Reference AW

This brochure shows the appearance and some technical details of a dosage machinery as well as some embodiments of specifically configured traces applied on a surface.

Reference AZ

This short note in a German journal just gives some data of a gasket foaming apparatus of the firm Spühl. Corresponding information in the Reference No. 32 is more detailed.

II *Generally, the references pertain to one of the following categories:*

A. References specifying electrically conductive polymer materials for producing conductive seals. Some of these references also include simple manual tools for applying the materials.

References in this category:

G I K N O Q V AN AO AR AY

B. References describing more sophisticated devices for applying a material on a surface in a predetermined configuration - but not disclosing the application of a conductive sealant to the casing of an electronic device as claimed in the present invention.

References in this category:

L U W X Y Z AA AB AE AF AH
AI AJ AK AL AM AP AQ AS AT AU AV
AW AX AZ BA BB BF BG BI

C. References describing the formation of conductive seals which conform to gaps and surfaces of two mating surfaces and irreversibly joining the same.

References in this category:

P BC BD BE

D. References disclosing preformed gaskets.

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The references cited herein have been cited in opposition proceedings in the EPO and are cited out of abundance of caution. Applicants do not believe that any of these references affect the patentability of the claims.

II *Opposition proceeding before German Patent Office:*

Japanese Publication No. 5-4177 is indicated on the List of Cited References (form PTO-1449) on page 6 of 6 at line T. Enclosed is an English language translation of this publication which was prepared and filed by an opponent during opposition proceedings before the German Patent Office. During its deliberations, the German Patent Office considered Japanese reference 5-7177 as the most relevant prior art. This reference is similar to the Morgan reference, U.S. Patent No. 4,931,479 also indicated on the List of Cited References on page 1 of 6 at line K, in that it teaches that heat (at above 150°C) is required for drying, hardening, and curing a sealant material.

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Remarks

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the enclosed references and entry into the record.

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